

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph starting at page 5, line 24 and ending at page 6, line 2 with the following.

--Next, with reference to Fig. 2, the main procedure to be executed by the image pickup apparatus ~~120~~ 100 of the embodiment will be described. A portion of the procedure shown in Fig. 2 is realized by a microcomputer of the control unit 105 which operates in accordance with a control program stored in a storage medium of the control unit 105.--

Please replace the paragraph starting at page 7, line 8 with the following.

--Step S208: The control unit 105 makes the recording/reproducing unit 103 stop recording ~~AD~~ AV data, and at the same time makes the communication unit 106 stop digitally outputting AV data.--